

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKETING DEPARTMENT

NOTICE OF FILING

DOCKET NO. 1999-512-C

Budget Phone, Incorporated respectfully requests that the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (Commission) regulate its local services in accordance with the principles and procedures established for Flexible Regulation in Order No. 98-165 in Docket No. 1997-467-C. With regard to Budget Phone, Incorporated's competitive intrastate local exchange service tariff filings, Budget Phone, Incorporated requests that its local exchange service tariff filings be presumed valid upon filing, subject to the Commission's right within thirty (30) days to institute an investigation of the tariff filing, in which case such filings would be suspended pending further order of the Commission; and that any such tariff filings be subject to the same monitoring process as similarly situated competitive local exchange carriers.

A copy of the Application is on file in the offices of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina, 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210, the Commission's web site at www.psc.sc.gov, and is available from Lance J.M. Steinhart, Esquire, 1720 Windward Concourse, Suite 250, Alpharetta, Georgia 30005.

A public hearing, if scheduled, will be held in Columbia, South Carolina in the offices of the Commission at the above address, for the purpose of receiving testimony and other evidence from all interested parties regarding this Application. The time and date of this hearing will be furnished to all interested parties at a later date.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a party of record with the right of cross-examination should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before **November 24, 2005** and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please include an email address for receipt of future Commission correspondence in the Petition to Intervene. ***Please refer to Docket No. 1999-512-C.***

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing, if scheduled, should notify the Docketing Department in writing at the address below, the Office of Regulatory Staff at Post Office Box 11263, Columbia, South Carolina 29211, and Lance J.M. Steinhart, Esquire, at the above address, on or before **November 24, 2005** and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. ***Please refer to Docket No. 1999-512-C.***

Any person who wishes to be notified of the hearing, but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Docketing Department in writing at the address below on or before **November 24, 2005**. ***Please refer to Docket No. 1999-512-C.***

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: Any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding **MUST** present such comments, in person, to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's Procedures should contact the Commission at (803) 896-5100.

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